Viability of 293 cells at different water contents (no trehalose inside or outside)

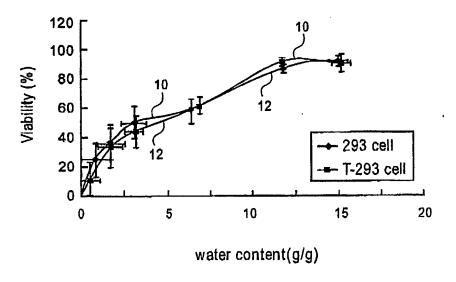


FIG. 1

Viability of 293 cells at different water contents (no trehalose inside, 150 mM trehalose outside)

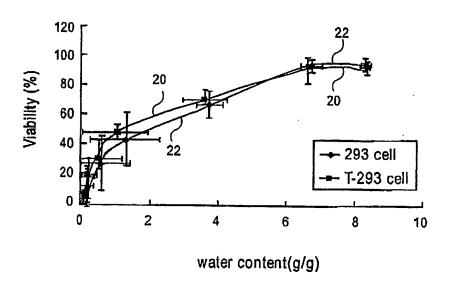


FIG. 2

Viability of 293 Cells During Drying +/- Transfection with p26 Trehalose Inside and Outside

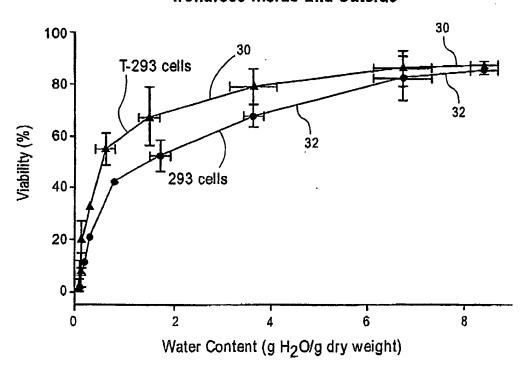


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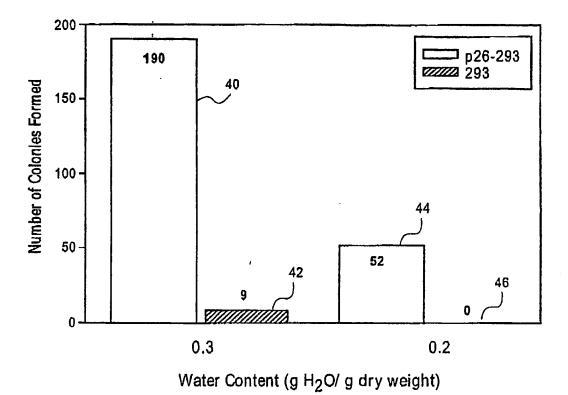


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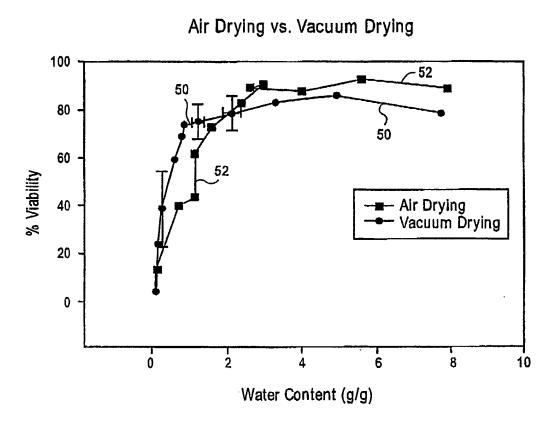


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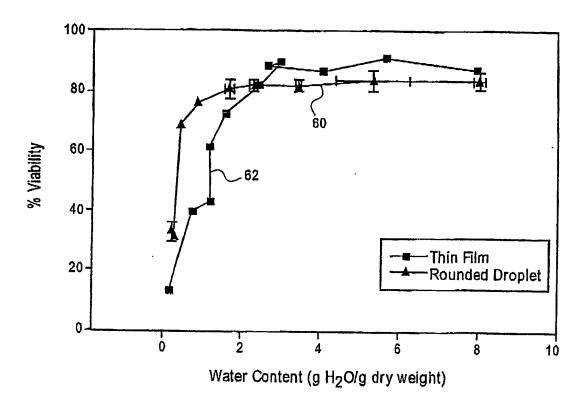


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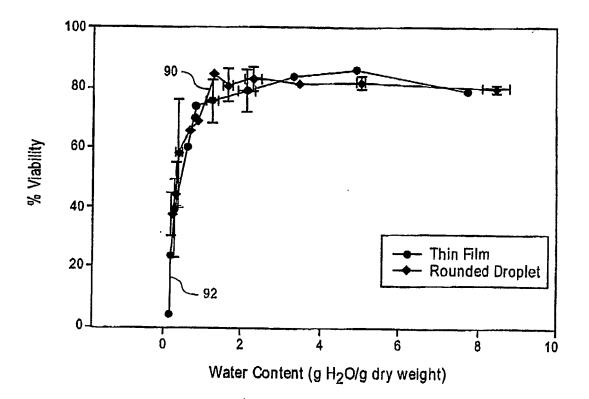


FIG. 7

the viability of cell under vacuum-drying (50uL bead, loaded with 100 mM trehalose, three times)

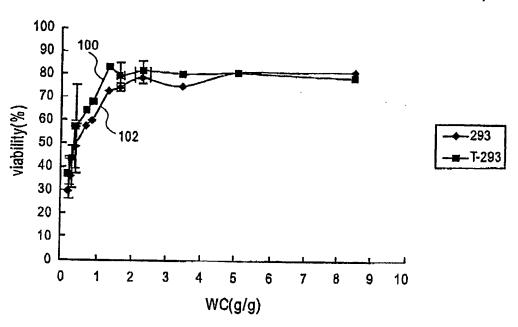


FIG. 8

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Nucleated cells in culture Nucleated cells (e.g. mesenchymal stem cells, 293H cells, HeLa cells, murine B cells, etc.): grow in medium appropriate for cell type) to ~95% confluence.

+/- Adding heat shockprotein

Cells are engineered to express p26, from *Artemia*, or other heat shock proteins, (or they are loaded with p26 or other heat shock proteins by endocytosis or protein transporter treatments).

Disaccharide loading

Incubate cells in standard growth medium containing 100 mM disaccharlde, e.g., trehalose (or 75 mM for B cells) for 24 h at 37°C, 5% CO2, and 90% RH.

+/- DMSO treatment

During final hours of disaccharide incubation, add 2% DMSO to the incubation solution to increase the intracellular distribution of disaccharide.

+/- Arbutin or hydroquinone

During disaccharide incubation, include arbutin @ 40 mM and disaccharide at 70 mM.

+/- Apoptosis Inhibitor

During disaccharide incubation, include apotosis inhibitor at 30 µM.

Transfer to drying buffer

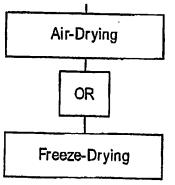
Harvest cells by trypsinization. Spin cells gently (<1000 rpm, 10 min) to pellet. Remove supernatant. Resuspend cells in drying buffer (10 mM Hepes, 5 mM KCI, 65 mM NaCI, 150 mM trehalose, and 5.7% BSA with pH 7.2). In case of arbutin- or hydroquinone- containing cells, resuspend in arbutin- or hydroquinone- containing drying buffer (10 mM Hepes, 5 mM KCI, 30 mM NaCI, 150 mM trehalose, 70 mM arbutin or hydroquinone, and 5.7% BSA with pH 7.2).

Vacuum-Drying

OR

Samples dried in 50 mL aliquots in the shape of rounded droplets in the caps of Eppendorf microfuge tubes, at room temperature (or in the temperature range of 25 – 42 °C) under a vacuum (pressure ~3 in Hg) to 0.2-0.5 g H₂O/g dry weight.

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Samples dried in 50 µL aliquots in the shape of rounded droplets in the caps of Eppendorf microfuge tubes (or in 0.5 mL aliquots in sterile Petri dishes), at room temperature under a diffuse stream of dry air to 0.2-0.5 g H₂O/g dry weight.

Cell samples dried in a 10-droplet array (where each drop contains a volume of 50 μ L) within BioDRI Flasks on a Lyostar shelf style lyophilizer.

Rehydration

Rehydrate the samples in excess growth medium (+/- arbutin; +/- apoptosis inhibitor).
Replate the cells (on an adhesive surface, such as collagen, fibronectin, or vinculin), and grow in culture at 37 °C, 5% CO₂, and 90% RH. Use the cells for clinical or in vitro applications, as desired.

FIG. 9B